Docket No. 210383US0

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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FOR:

METHOD FOR IMPROVING THERMOSTABILITY OF PROTEINS, PROTEINS HAVING

THERMOSTABILITY IMPROVED BY THE METHOD AND NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING THE PROTEINS

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Request for Reconsideration in the above-identified application.

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## AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

In response to the Official Action dated December 18, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this response.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 10 of this response.

Support for the Amendment appears on page 12 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this response.